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±Iran Says U.S. Response On Hostages Was Unclear
BEIRUT; Lebanon (AP) - Iranian Prime Minister Mohammad Ali Rajai's office said today that the American response to Iran's terms for the release of the 52 American hostages ''was neither explict nor clear;'' the official Pars news agency reported.

An unidentified spokesman was quoted as saying the U.S. government ''presumes in modifying'' the terms for release set by the Iranian Majlis; or Parliament; on Nov. 2.

The agency said Iran had asked the Algerian government; which is acting as the go-between in the hostage negotiations; to ask the United States ''to clearly announce its positive or negative response to the Majlis document.''

The prime minister's office said Iran ''has not give any response; either positive or negative; to the United States on this subject;'' Pars said.

''The U.S. reply was neither explict nor clear regarding the document ratified by the Majlis;'' Pars quoted the spokesman as saying. ''In some cases not only had a direct reply not been made but additional proposals had been offered.

''Since the government of the Islamic Republic of Iran considers itself to be the only executor of the Majlis decisions; the United States presumes (is presumptuous) in modifying this document;'' the Pars report said.

Iran's latest comment came on the 385th day of the hostages' captivity.

The United States sent its reply to Iran's conditions to Tehran via Algeria last week.

The reply was not made public; but on Thursday Secretary of State Edmund S. Muskie said the United States had accepted Iran's four points in principle. However; the Pars report indicated the United States had not met all of Iran's conditions.

Iran has demanded the release of the estimated $8 billion in Iranian assets frozen in the United States; withdrawal of pending lawsuits against Iran; a U.S. pledge of non-interference in Iranian affairs and return of the wealth of the late Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi and his family.

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